

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) [[An]]A purified immunogenic glycoprotein comprising SEQ ID NO:6, said glycoprotein being a *Leishmaniasis* promastigote surface antigen and excreted/secreted antigen with an apparent molecular weight of 42.5 kDa, ~~said glycoprotein being electrophoretically pure.~~

Claims 7-9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) [[An]]A purified immunogenic glycoprotein, the protein being encoded by a nucleic acid sequence comprising SEQ ID NO:1, said glycoprotein being a *Leishmaniasis* promastigote surface antigen and excreted/secreted antigen with an apparent molecular weight of 42.5 kDa, ~~said glycoprotein being electrophoretically pure.~~

11. (Withdrawn - Currently Amended) A method of immunization, said method comprising administration of the glycoprotein composition of claim 6 to an animal such that a specific immune response is elicited.

12. (Withdrawn - Currently Amended) A method of immunization, said method comprising administration of the glycoprotein composition of claim 10 to an animal such that a specific immune response is elicited.